

**PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 985**

**SENATE BILL NO. 3080**

**By McNally, Tate**

**Substituted for: House Bill No. 2651**

**By Hackworth, Hardaway**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 21, relative to school transportation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2101, is amended by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

(g) Each LEA is encouraged to conduct an investigation to determine if any special hazard zones are present within all walking routes children commonly utilize going to and returning from schools. For the purposes of this section, special hazards shall include an absence of sidewalks, a highway with four (4) or more lanes, an intersection where right turn on red is prohibited, one (1) or more sexual offenders as defined in Section 40-39-202 or violent sexual offenders as defined in Section 40-39-202 reside in such area, or any other condition which could affect the safety and well-being of children walking to school. If the LEA determines a special hazard zone is present it shall submit its findings to the entity responsible for such road or highway. The entity responsible for such road or highway is encouraged to cooperate with the LEA to devise methods to minimize such hazardous conditions.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: May 6, 2008**



RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 21st day of May 2008



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